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Source states that agents of the Lebanese Army G-2 had discovered that Fawzi Qawuqji, until December 1948 the Commander of the Arab Liberation Army, and certain officers in the Lebanese Army, including Major Shukayr* have been working for six months with representatives of King 'Abdullah on a plan to seize control of the Government in Lebanon and occupy Lebanon with troops.**

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* ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment. Major Shukayr, a Lebanese Druze, was the Lebanese Army liaison officer to the Arab Liberation Army and to Syrian forces. Shukayr was omitted from the promotion list of the Lebanese Army in January 1949.

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** ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment. A reliable neutral source commenting on the statement that Qawuqji made to him as reported in ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~* states that Qawuqji's statement was significant as he is at the present time "most probably" the chief Syrian proponent of 'Abdullah's plans.

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